



One hundred years ago this spring, five young men were preparing to become the first "graduates" of Cooper Union. This fact needs a bit of explaining. Cooper Union had held Commencement ceremonies every year since 1860, but these exercises were called for the purpose of presenting the certificates that acknowledged completion of a single class. The five graduates of 1864 were the first to complete the entire five-year sequence of courses that had started in 1859, and thus the first to receive Cooper Union diplomas.

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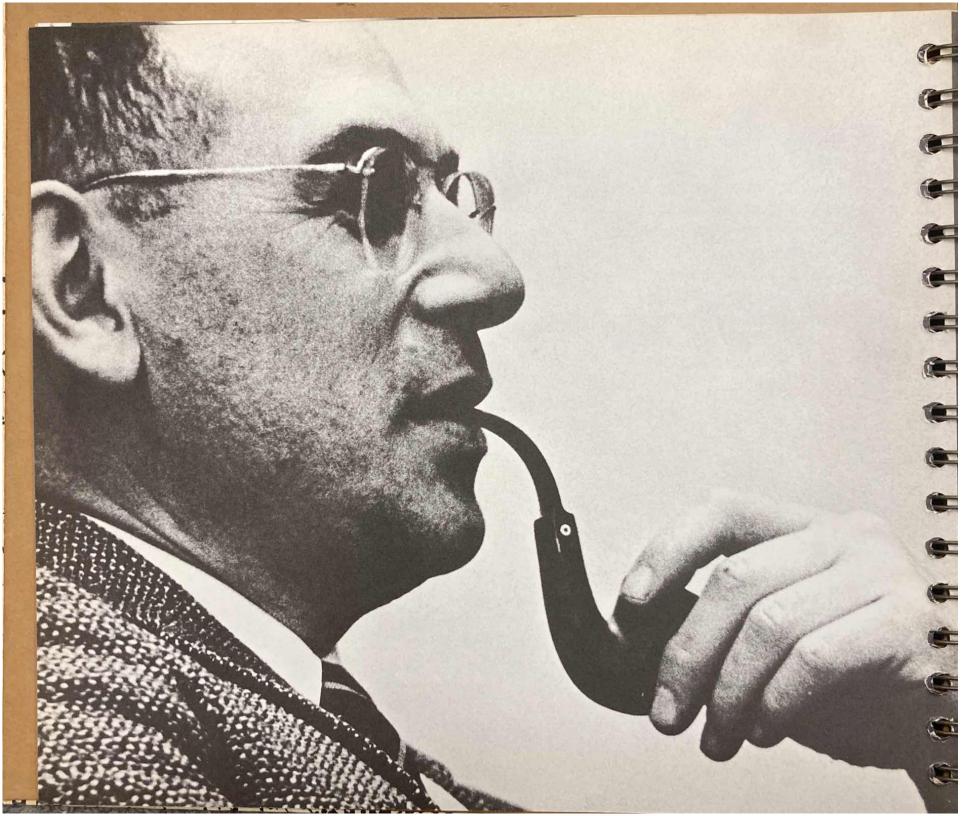
They were night students, of course, for at that time Cooper Union offered no day courses to men. They were employed in the daytime, thus following the pattern that Peter Cooper desired when he founded the school. Two of them were clerks and the others included an engraver, a machinist, and a coachmaker. Peter Cooper was extremely proud of them and on Commencement Day he shook their hands and made a short speech, in which, using the flowery rhetoric that was popular in those days, he said: "I trust that the young here will catch the inspiration of truth in all its native power and beauty, and find in it a source of inexpressible pleasure, and spread its transforming influence throughout the world."

It was quite a feat in those days to complete the Cooper Union curriculum. The five men who received the first diplomas had started out with a group of close to 1,500, and they were the only ones to complete the curriculum which included mathematics, chemistry, natural philosophy, and architectural, mechanical, and free hand drawing. Today the curricula in both of Cooper Union's schools are far more advanced and more difficult than were the courses of 1864, and I am happy to say that our dropout figures of today are vastly improved.

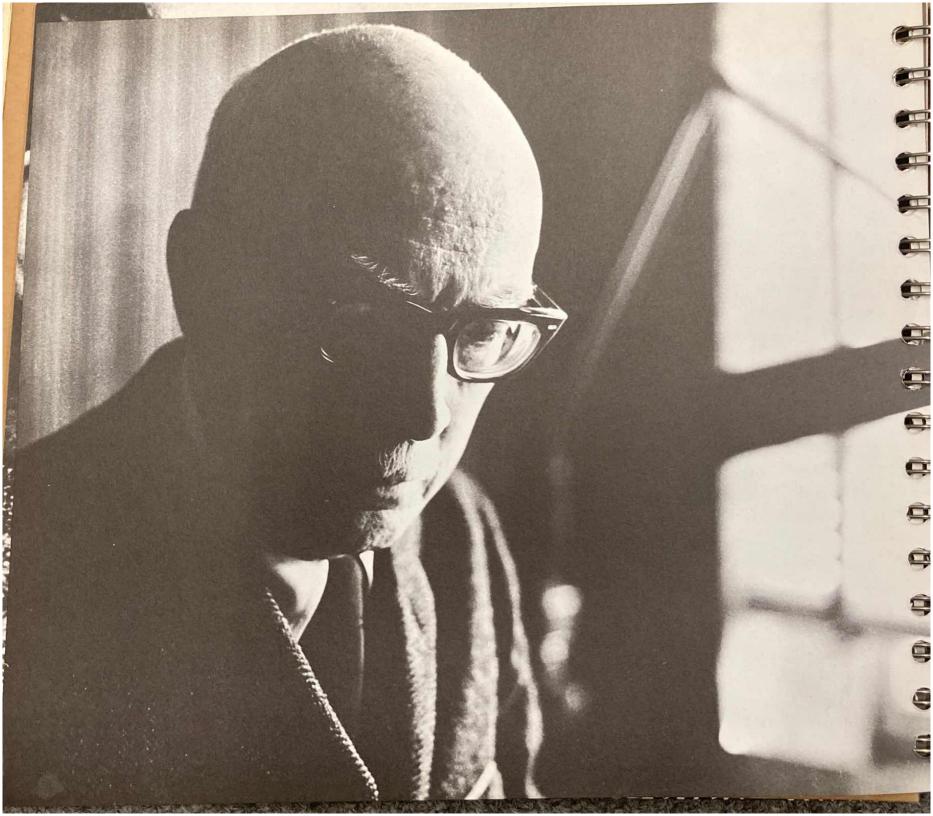
It is difficult, however, even today, to improve on the gist of Peter Cooper's talk of a hundred years ago. We may tone down the rhetoric a bit, but there is nothing more fitting for me to express to our graduates and students of 1964 than the wish that they, too, may "catch the inspiration of truth," that in this they may find pleasure, and that through them truth may may be extended and applied in their world.



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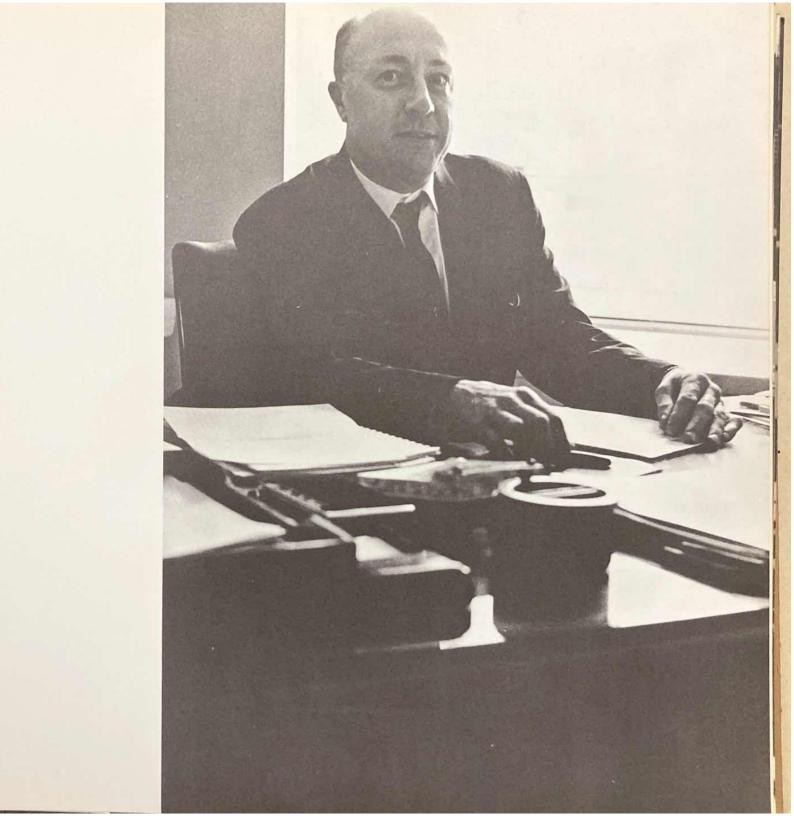


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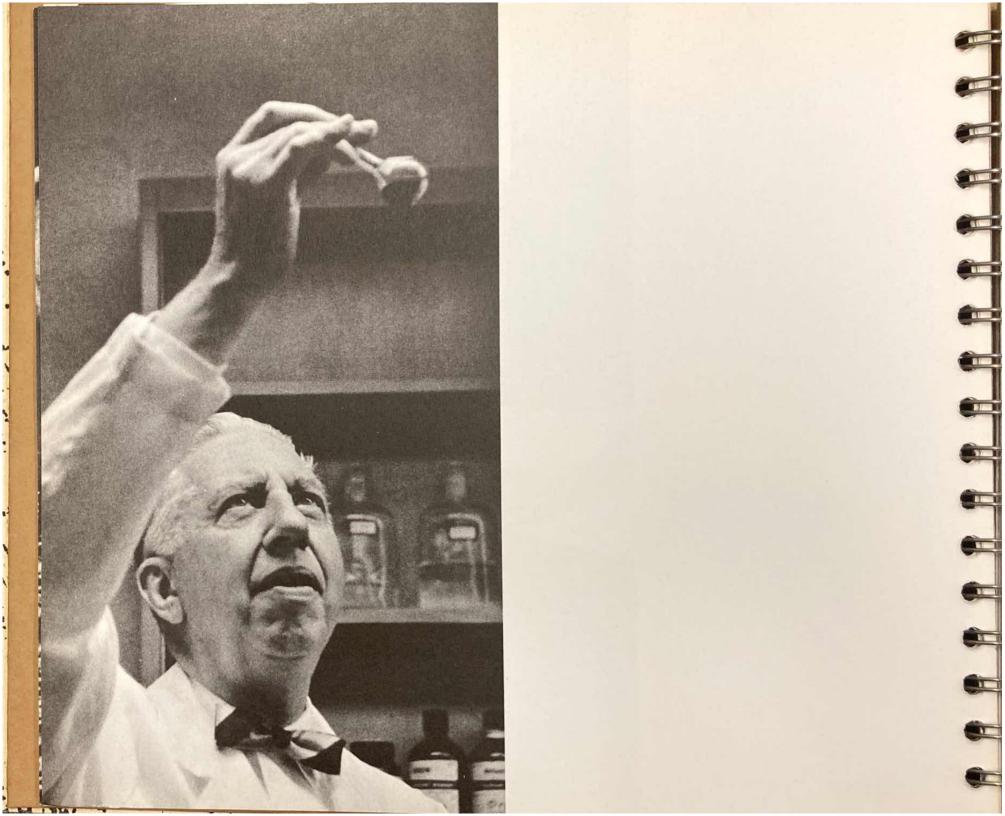
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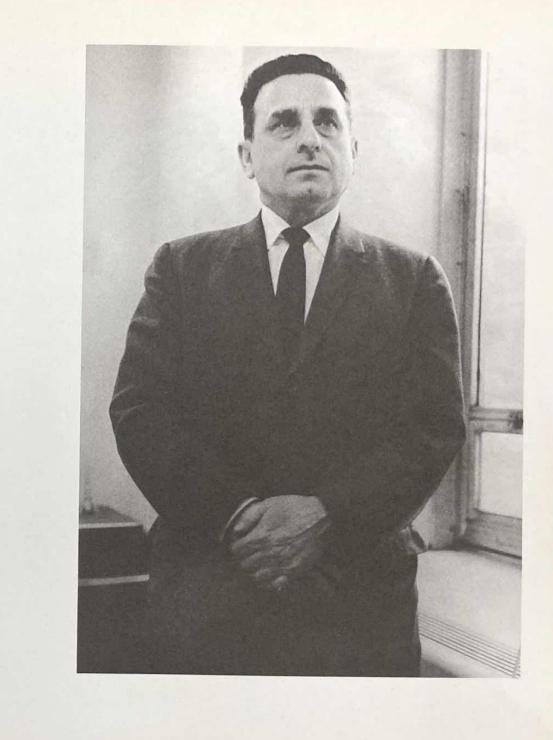
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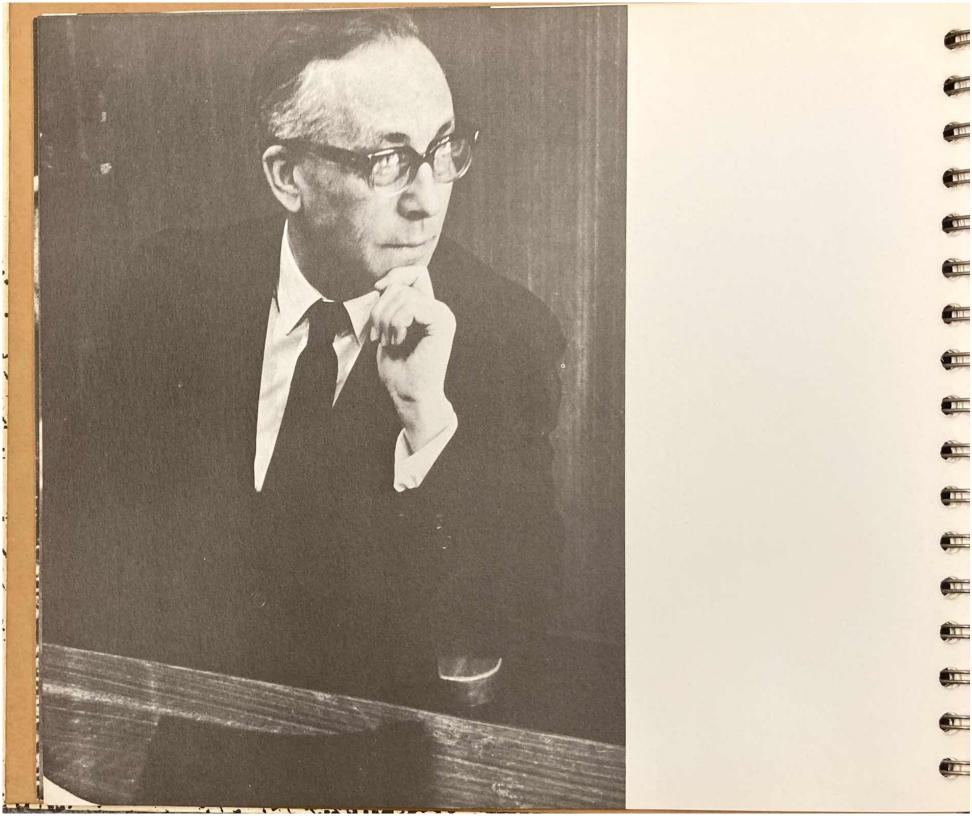
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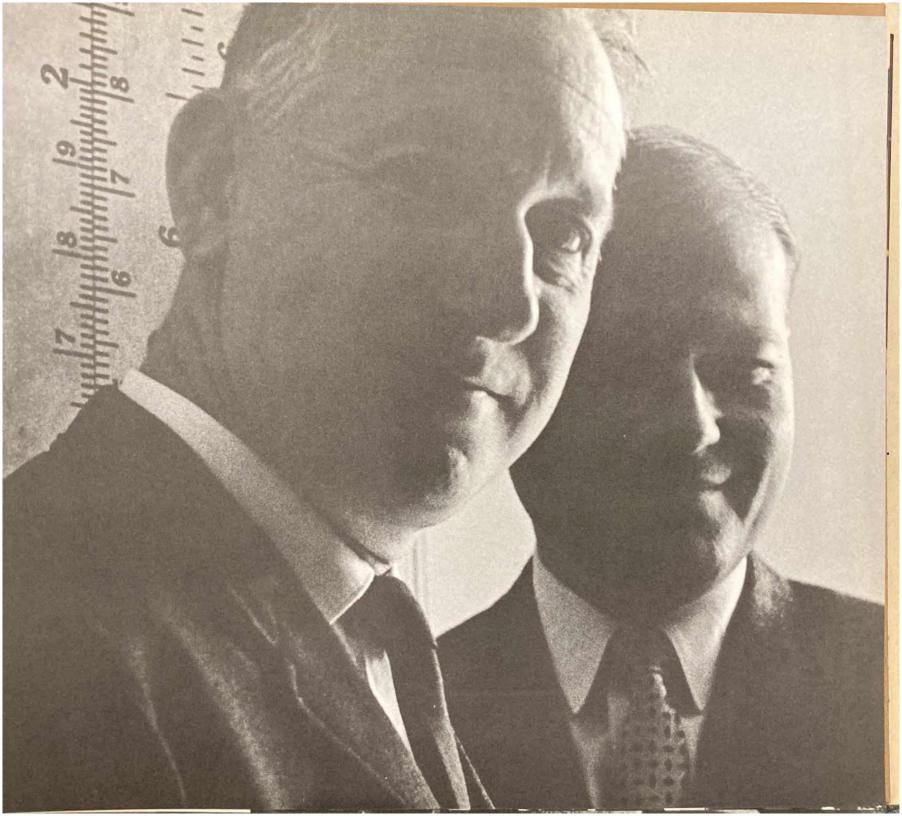
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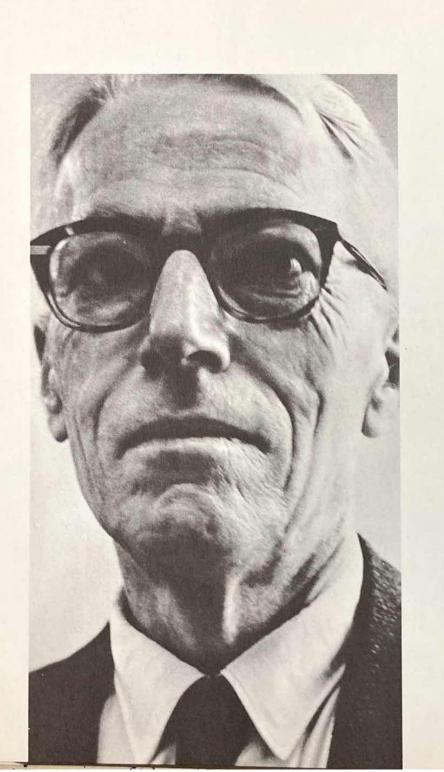
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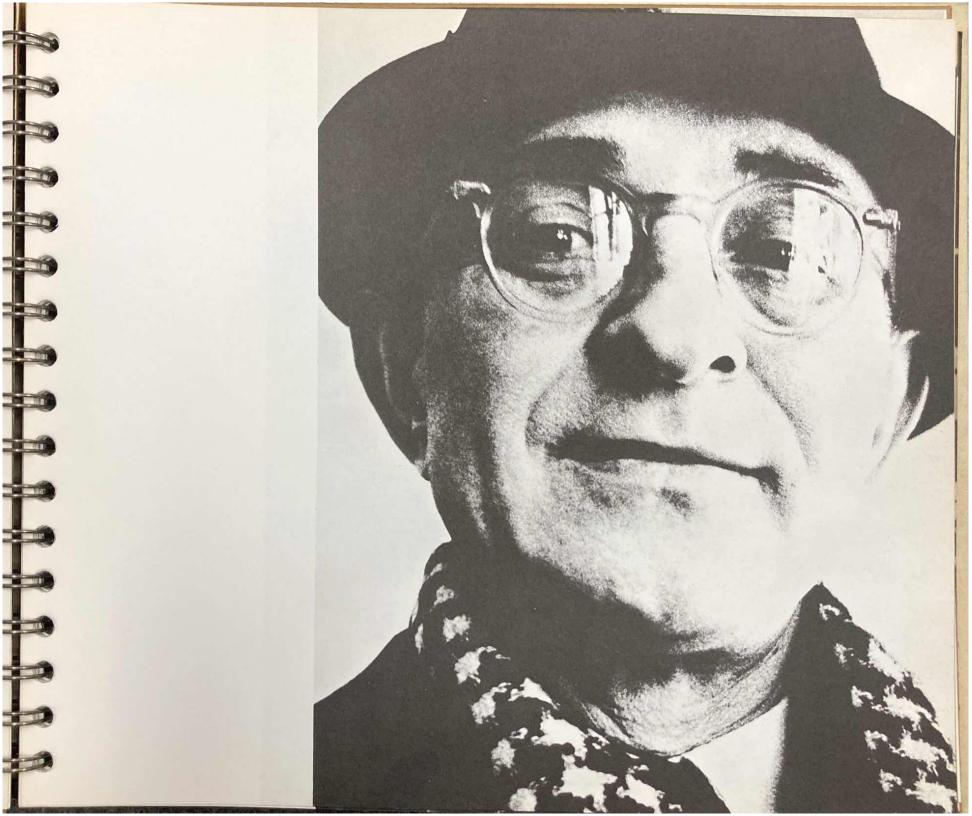


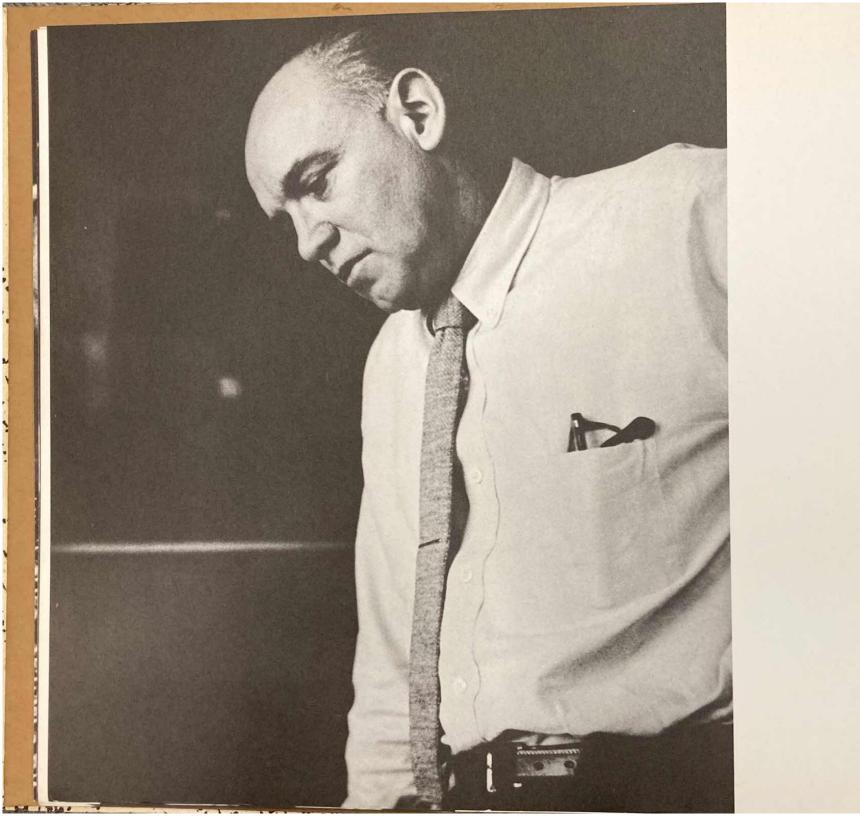


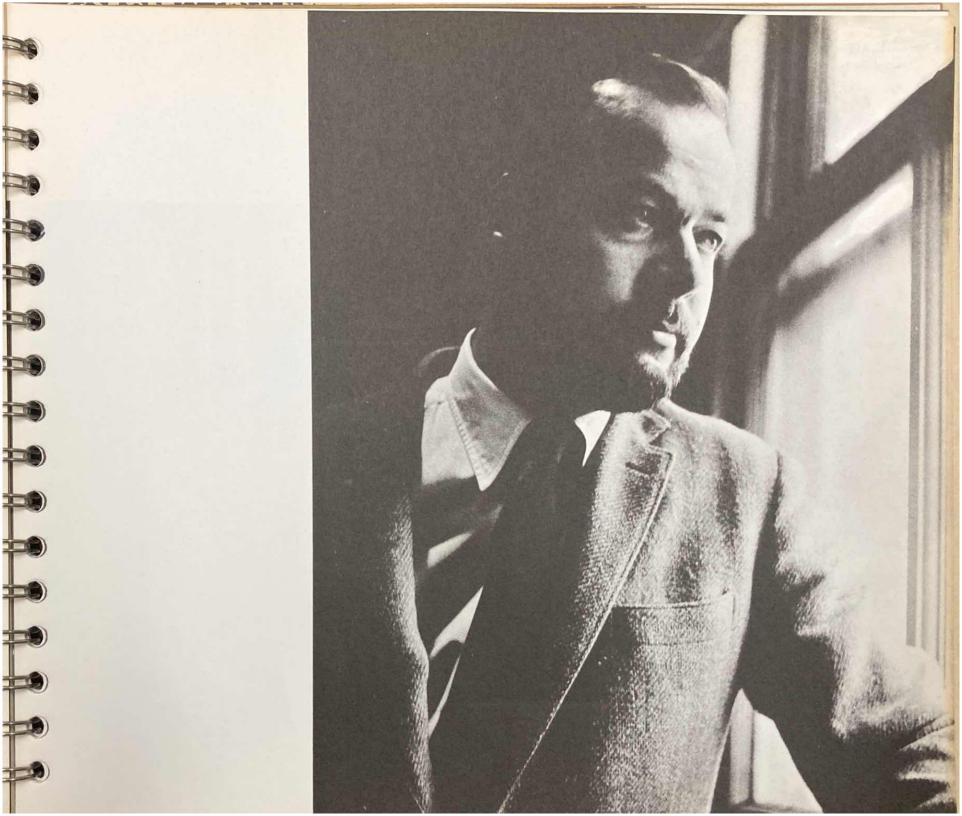


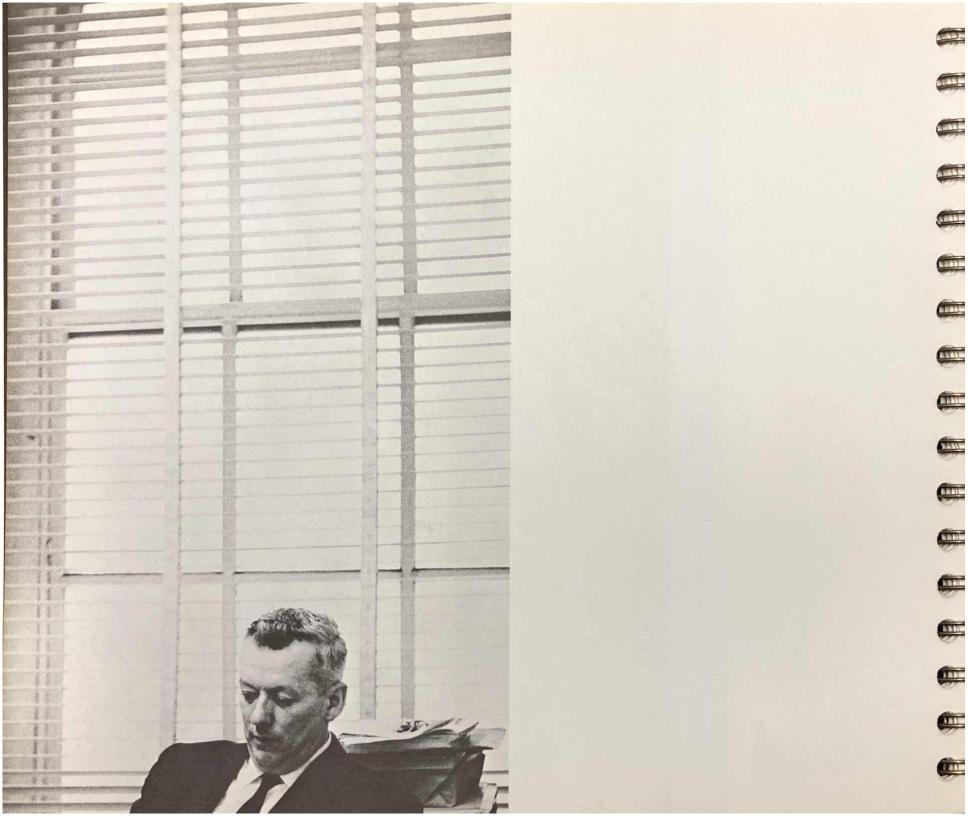


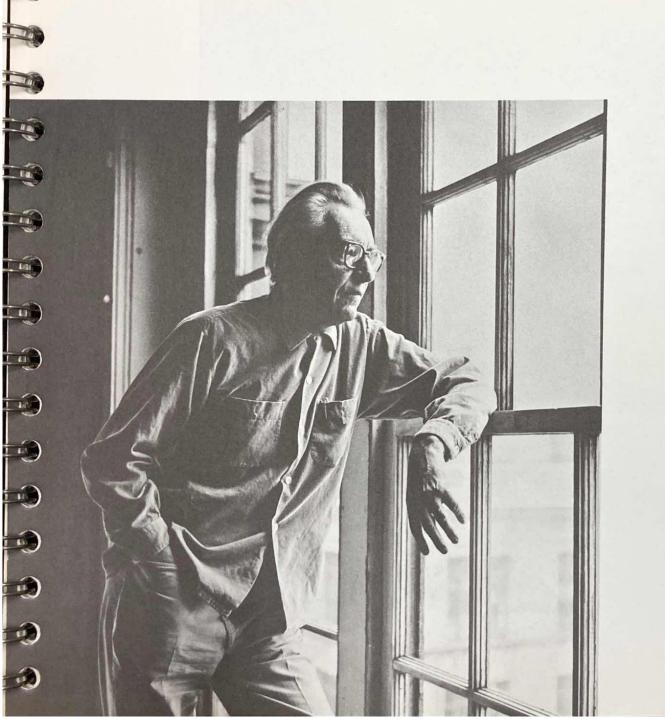


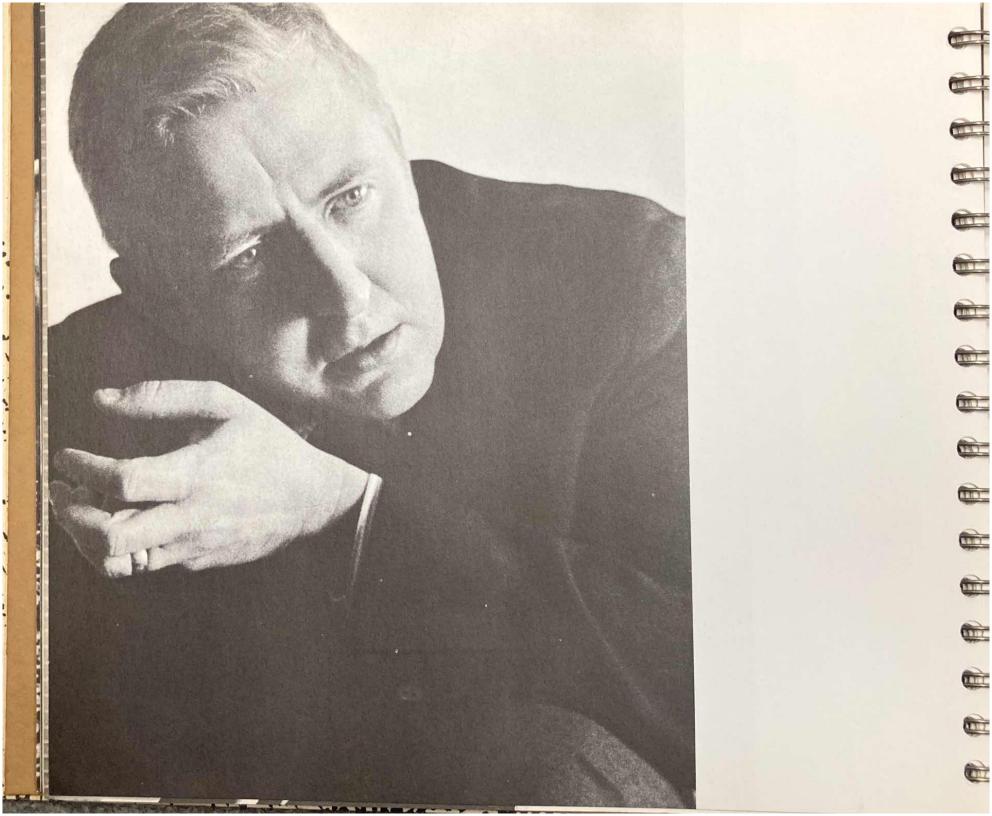






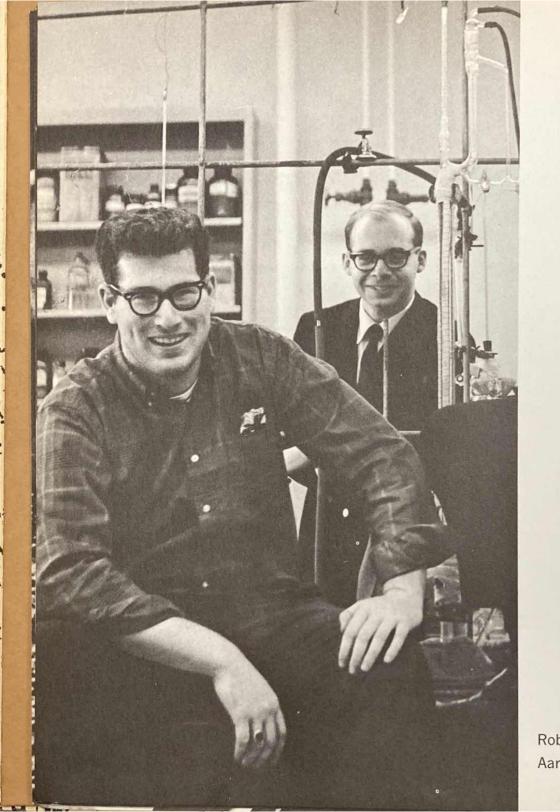








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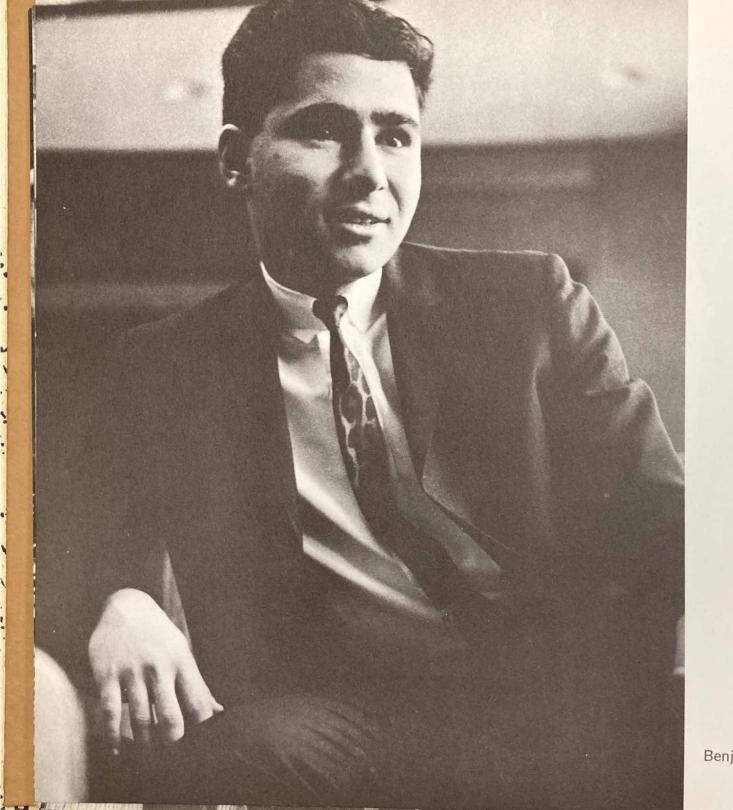


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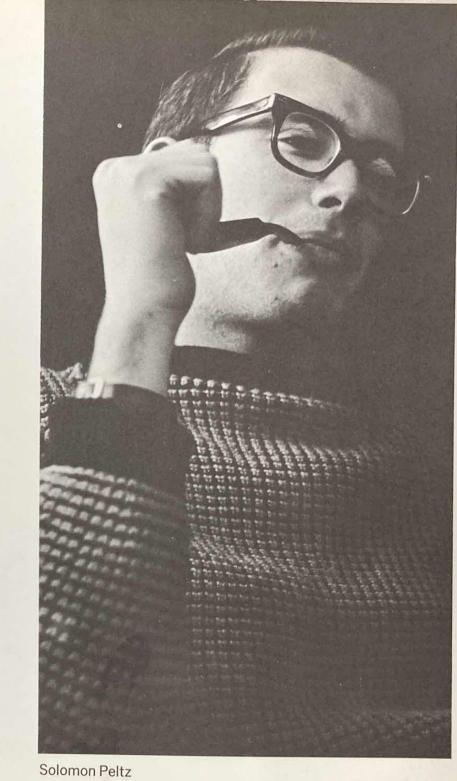


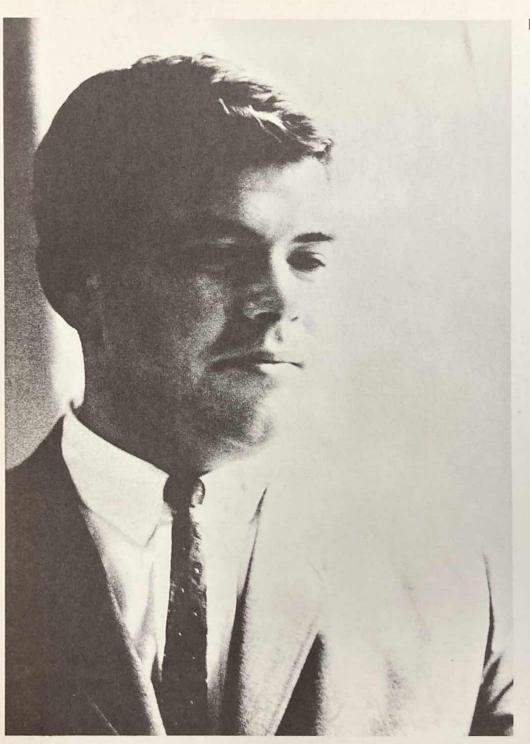
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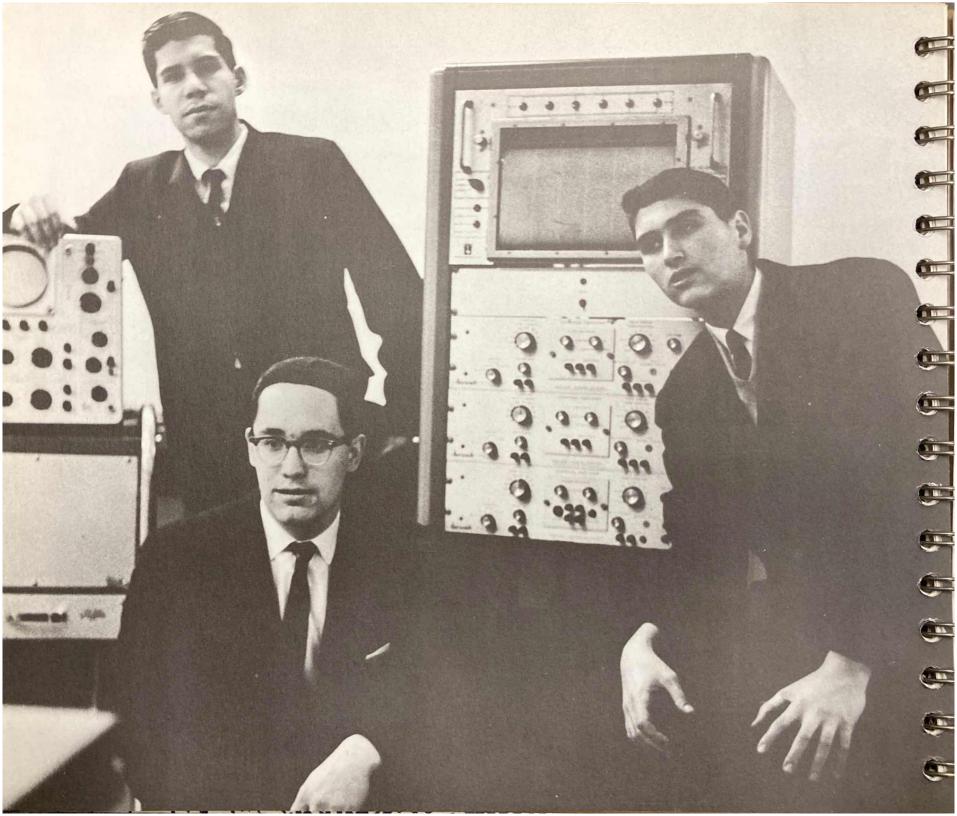


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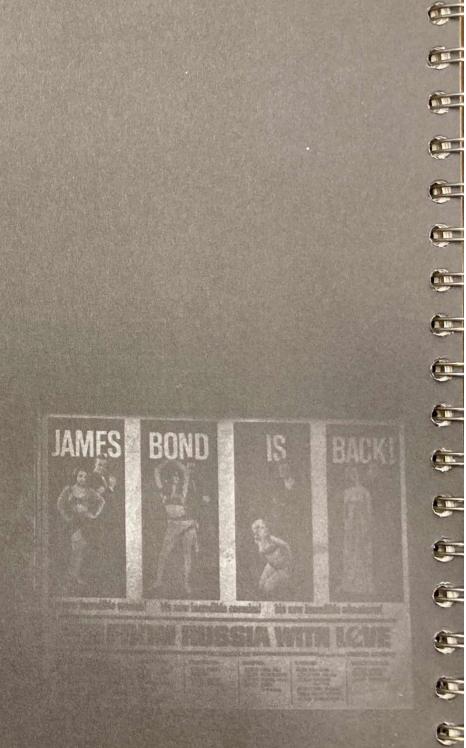


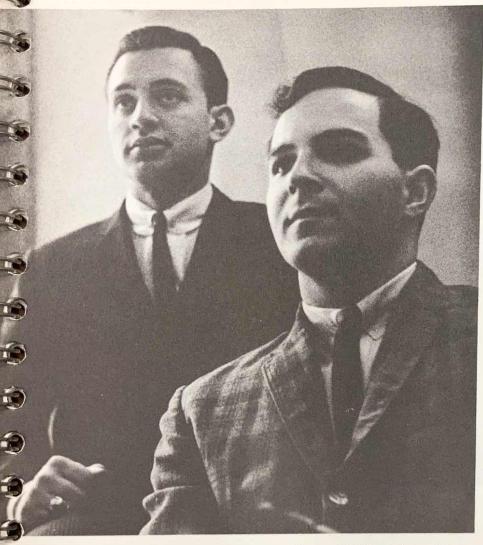


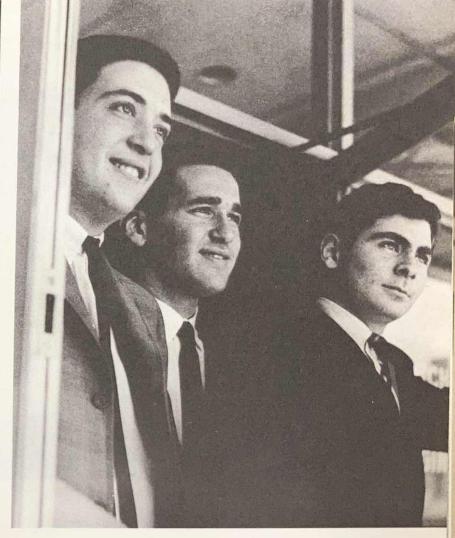


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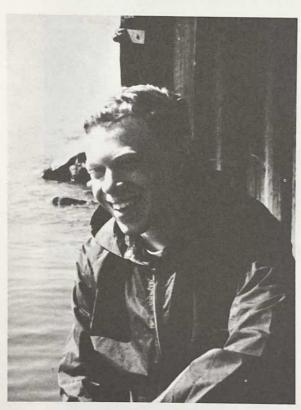
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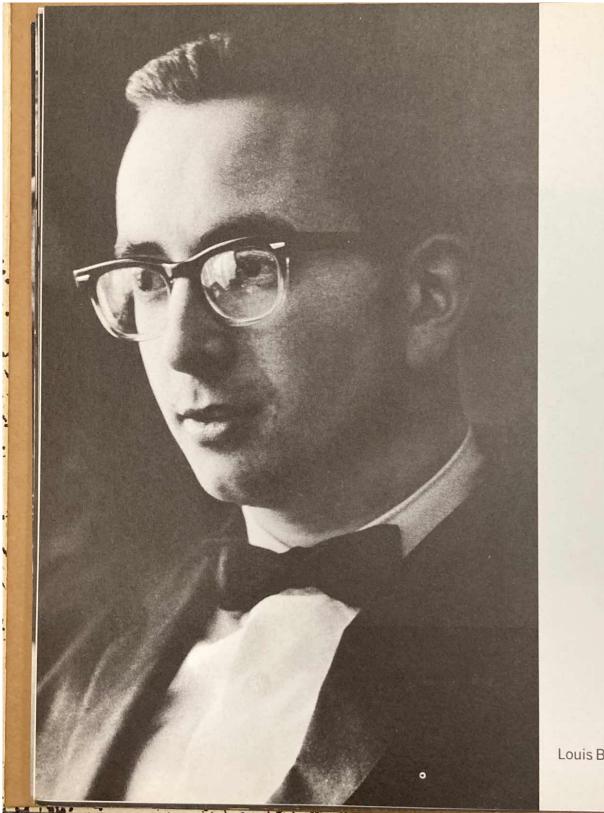


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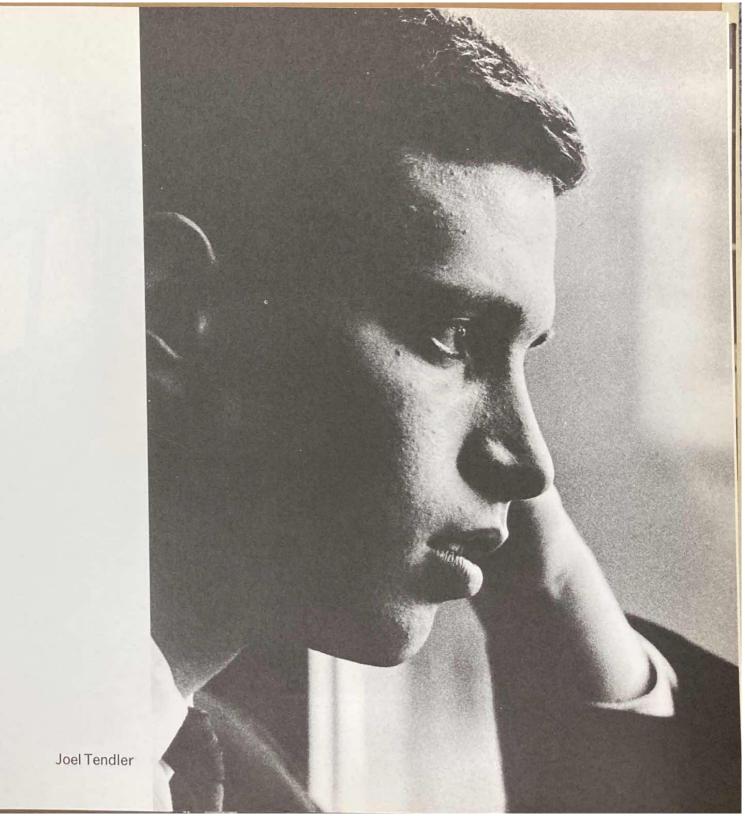


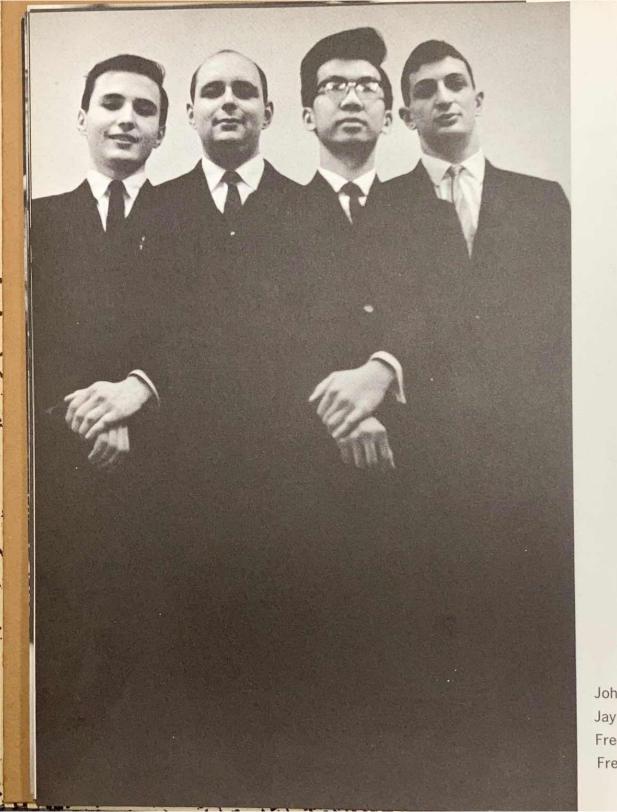


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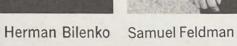


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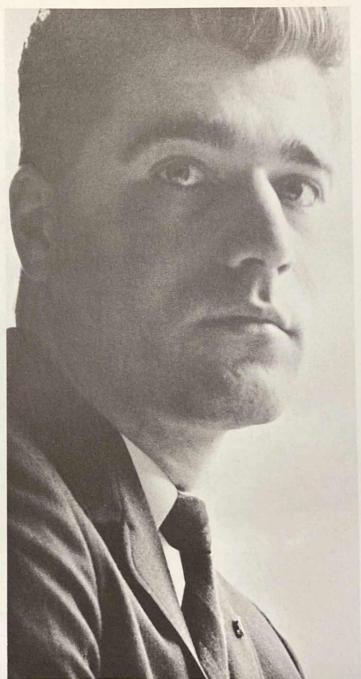






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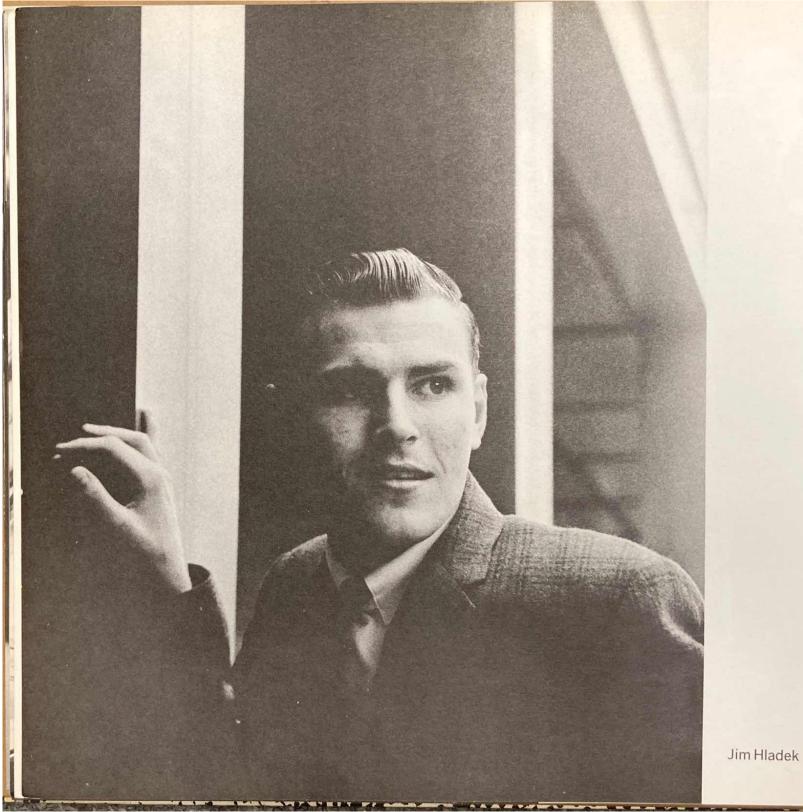


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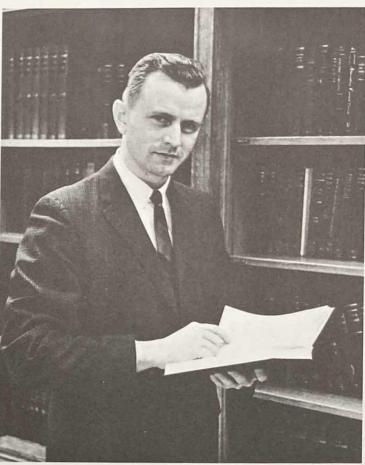
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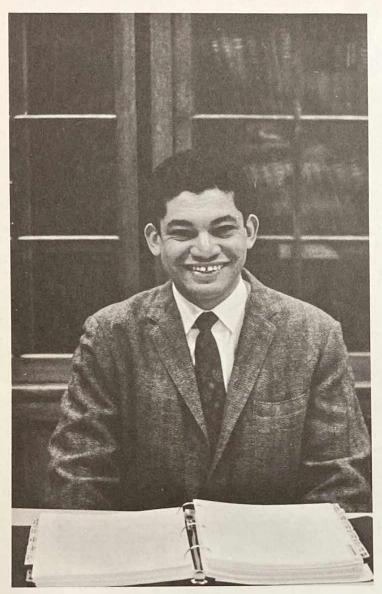




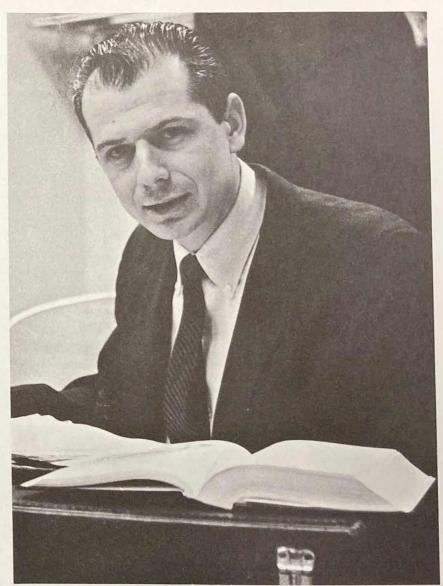


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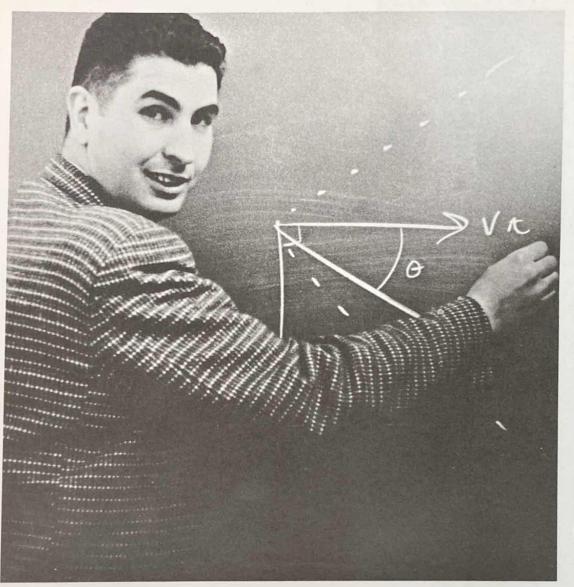
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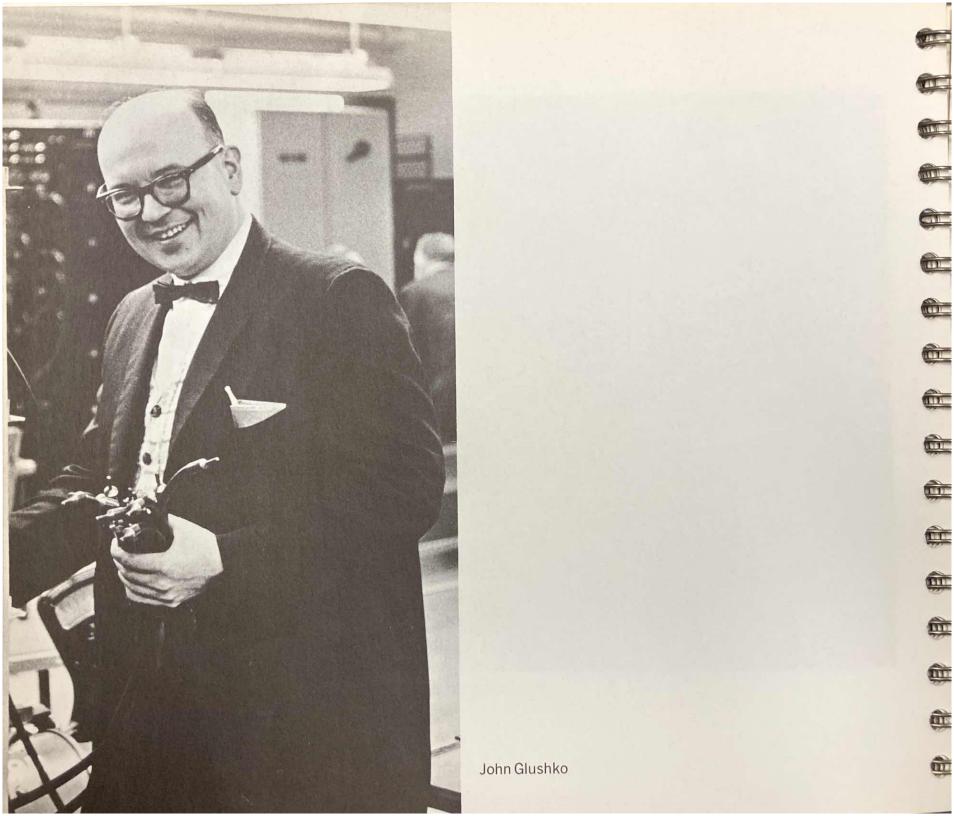
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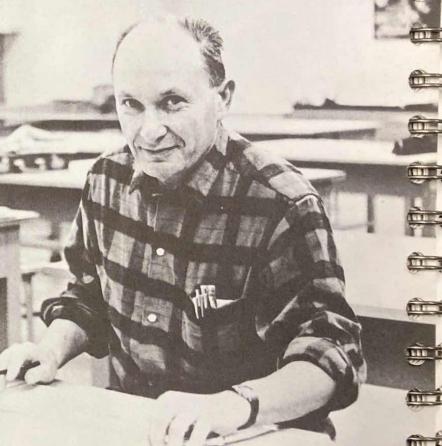
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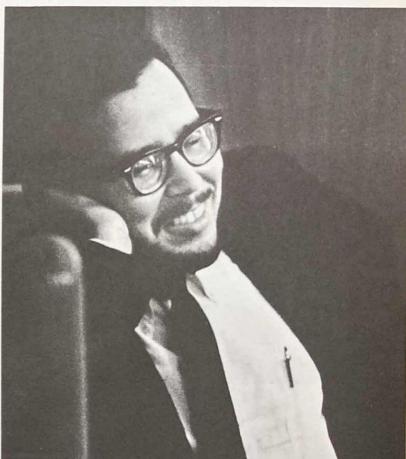




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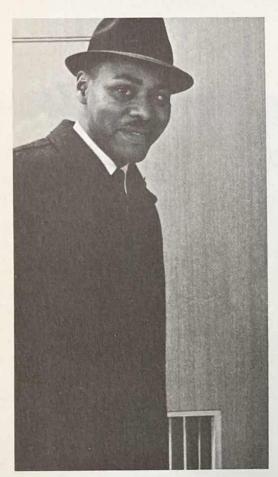
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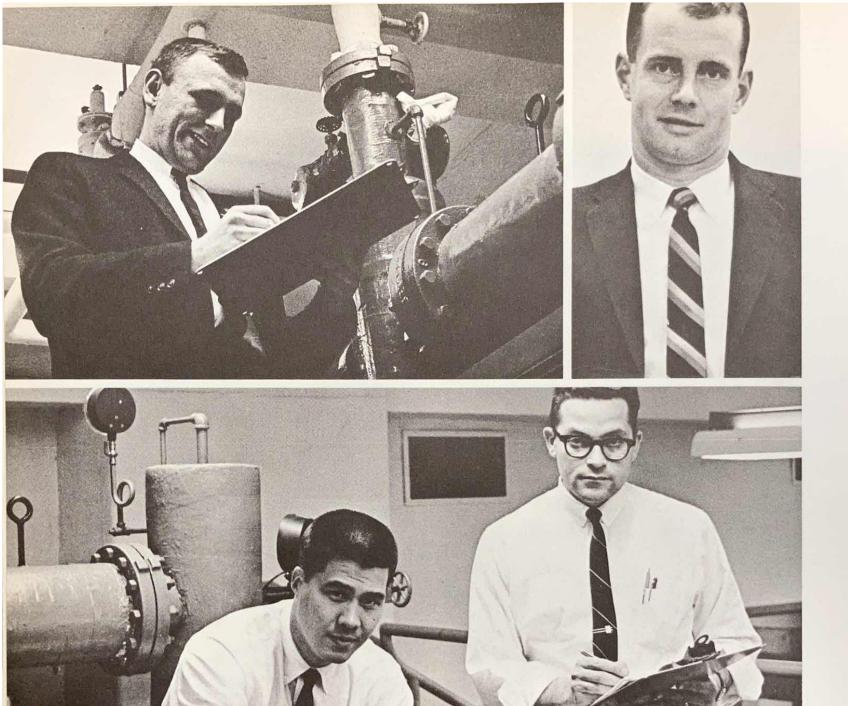
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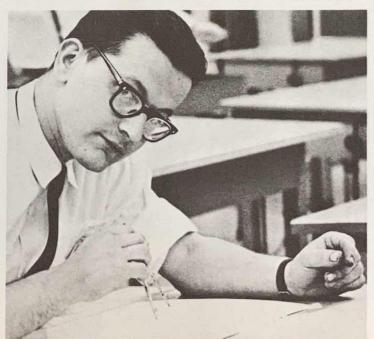
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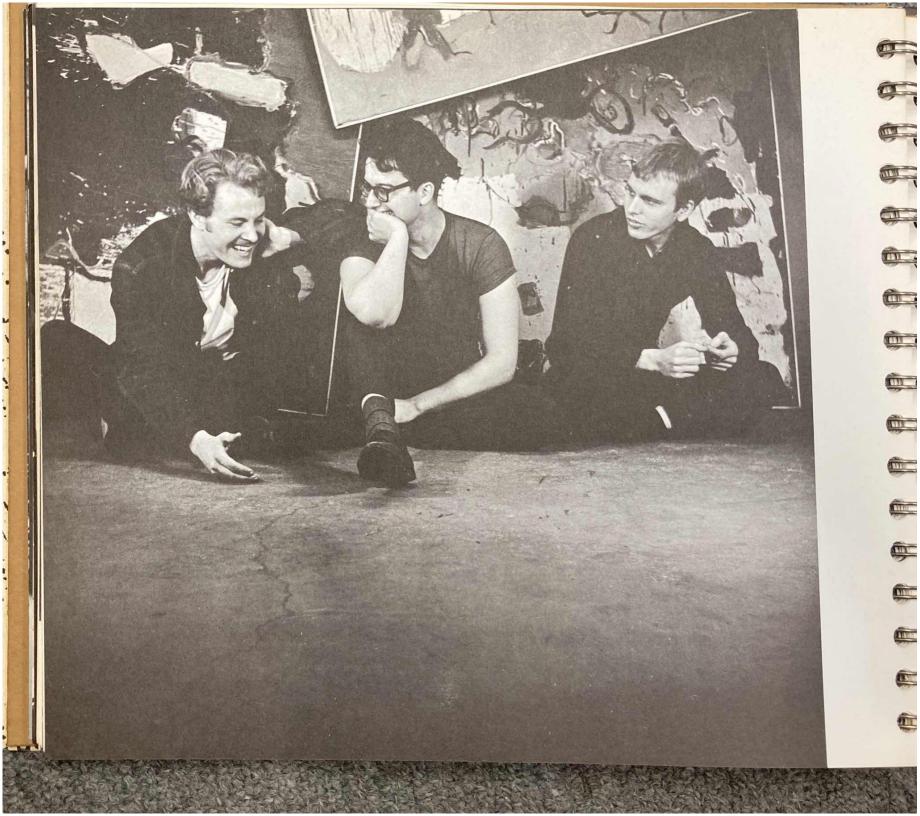














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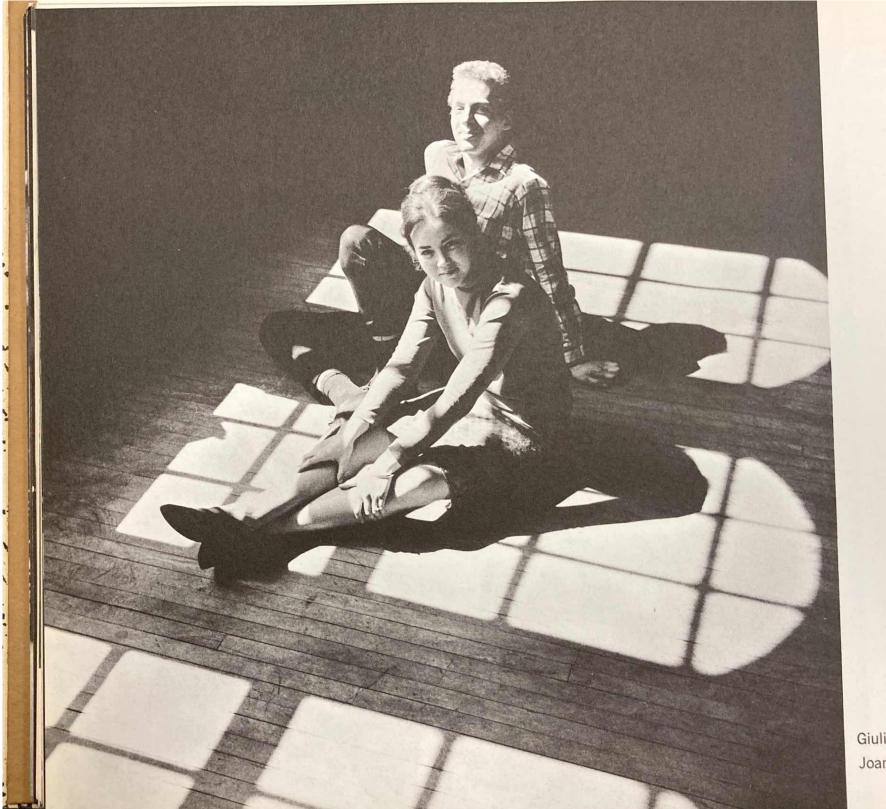


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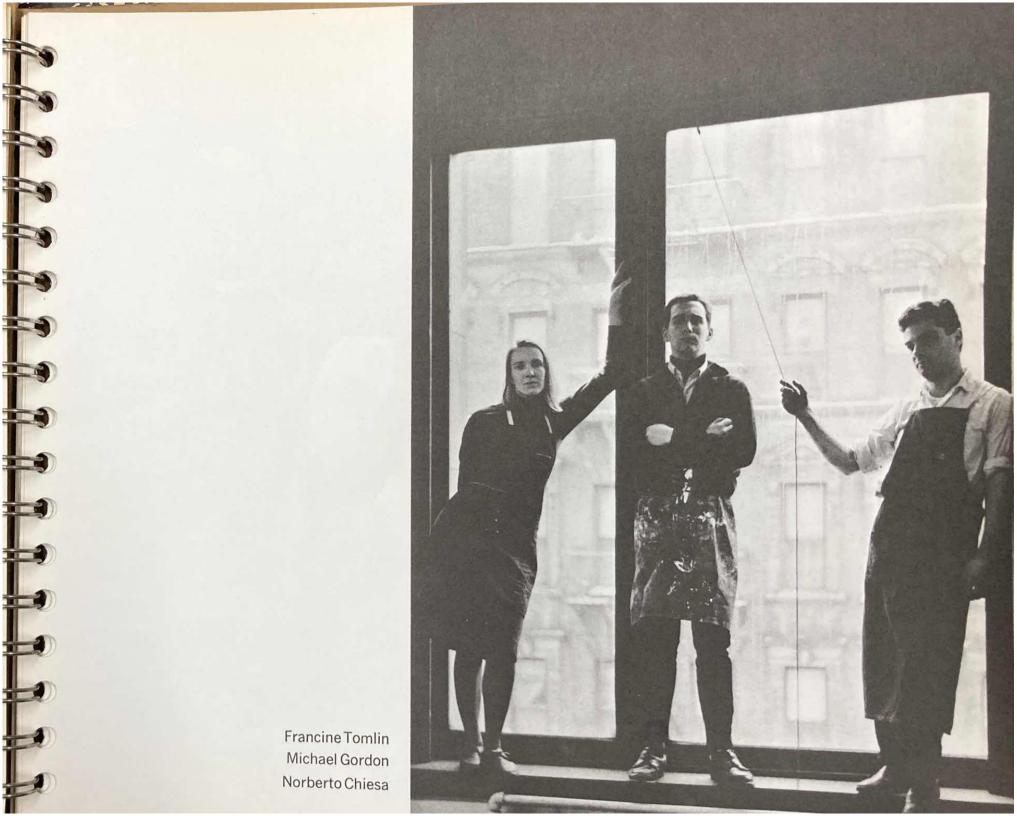
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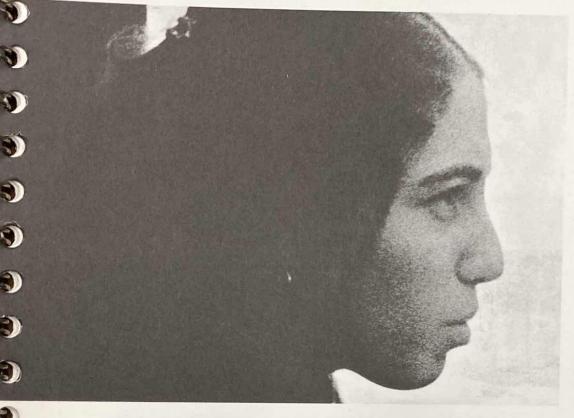




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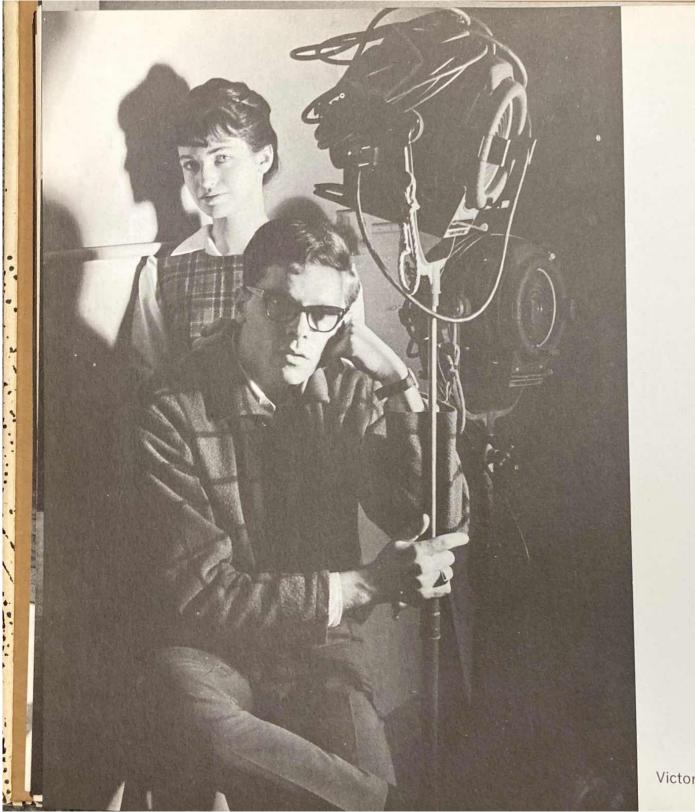




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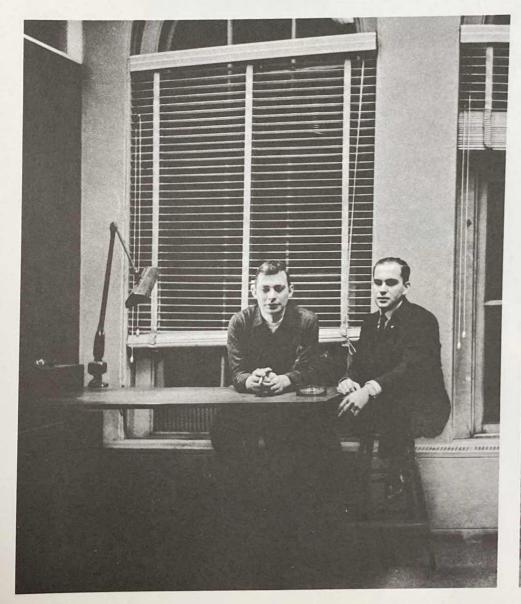


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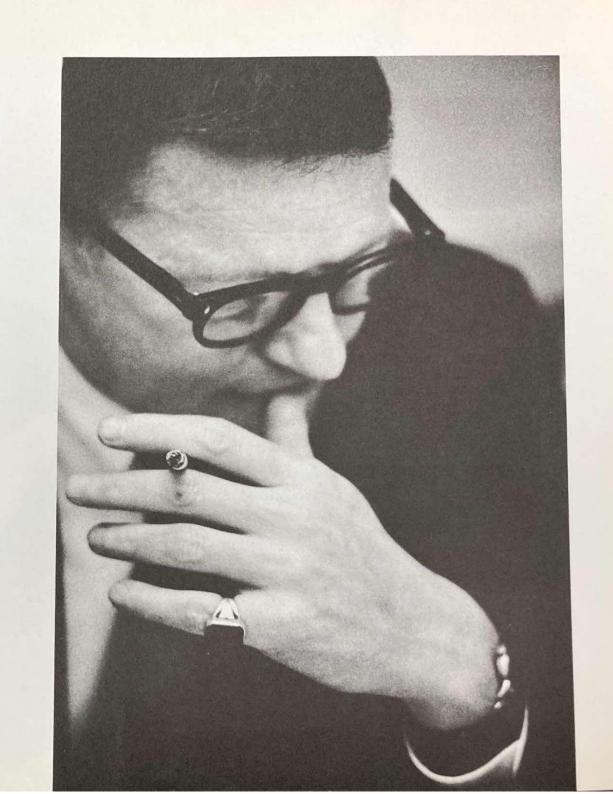
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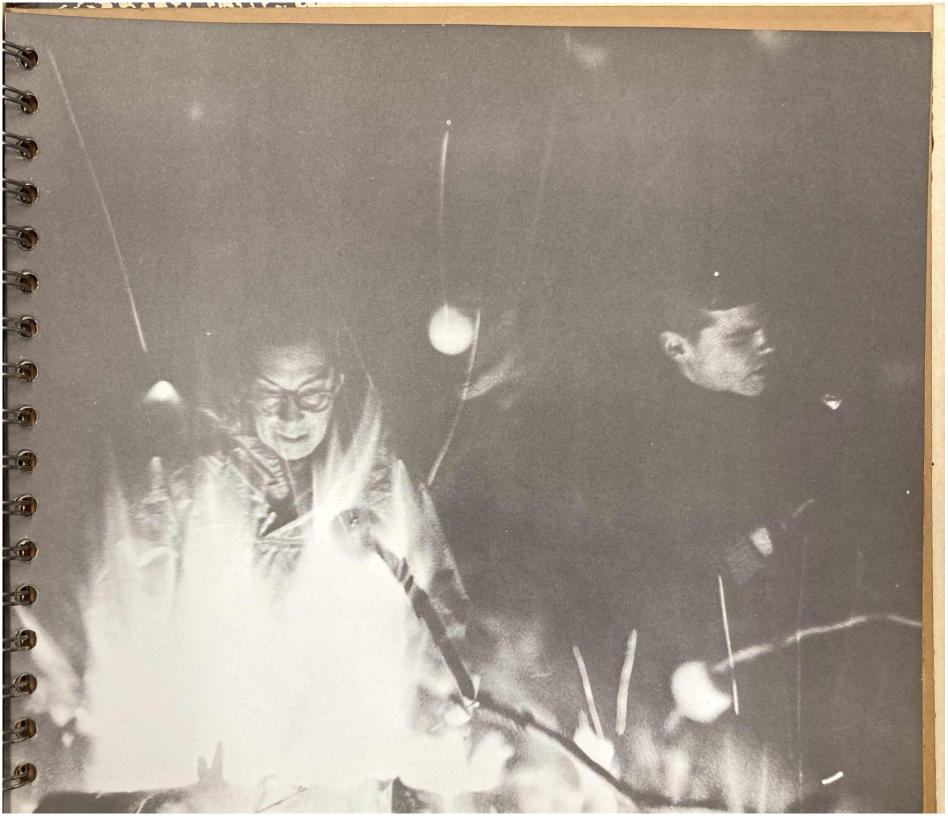
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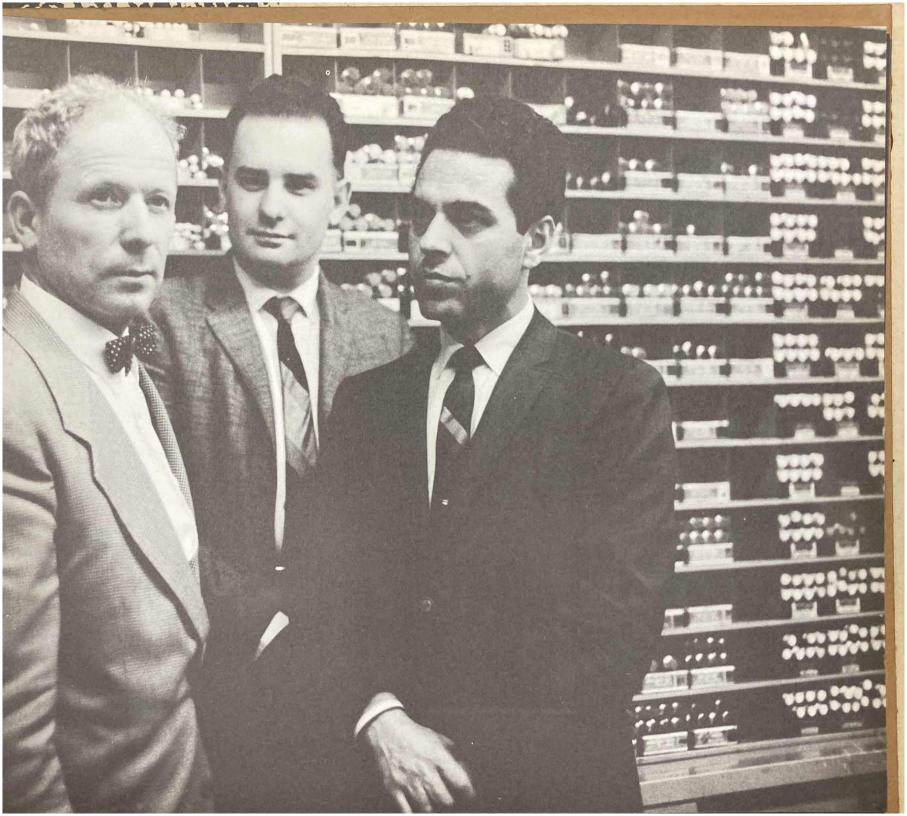


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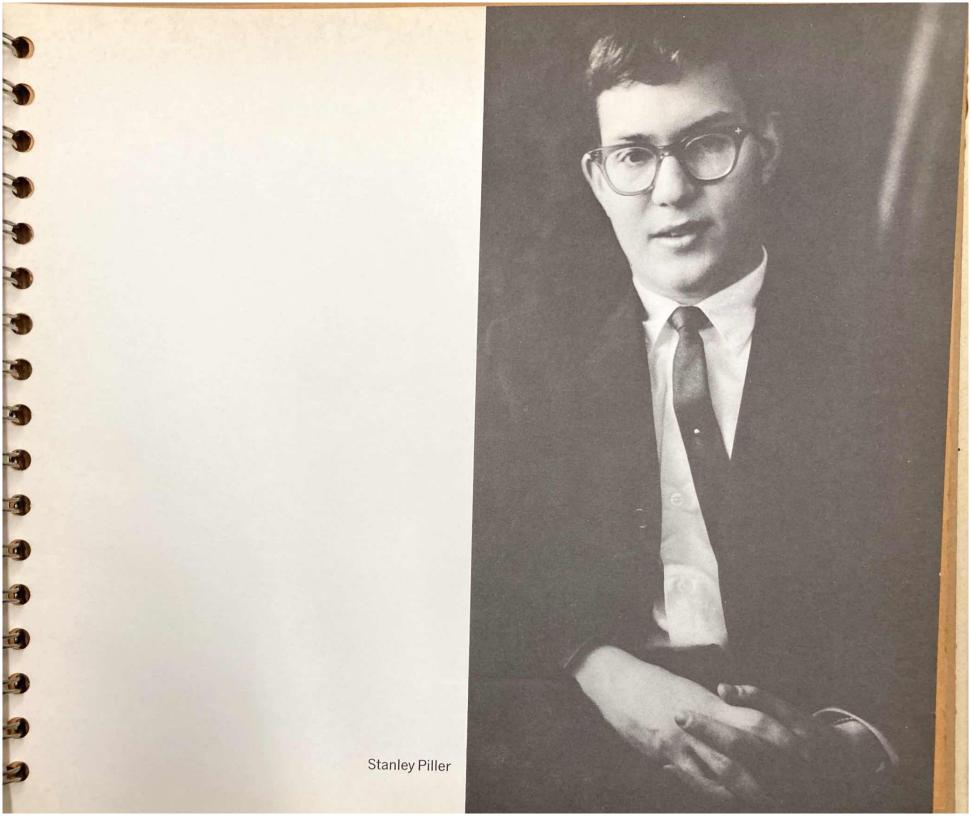
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